Council Meeting - Agenda

CITY COUNCIL CALENDAR Thursday, May 10, 2007 - 7:00 p.m.

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OPENING OF SESSION BY: CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT LEO R. PIMENTAL

PRAYER LED BY: REVEREND PAMELA J. COLE, PRESIDENT GREATER NEW BEDFORD CHAPTER OF CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RESOLUTIONS

- 1. RESOLUTION, Councillors Gonsalves and Morad, honoring THE HUMANE COALITION FOR ANIMALS in recognition of the 8TH ANNUAL DOG WALK AND PETFEST.
- 2. RESOLUTION, Councillors Morad and Alves, honoring NEW BEDFORD REHABILITATION HOSPITAL, on the Commemoration of the Hospital's 15th Anniversary Celebration and Awards Ceremony.

HEARINGS

- 3. PETITION, NSTAR Electric Company, for location of one (1) Handhole in CHESTNUT STREET, South of Locust Street.
- 3a. AN ORDER,
- 4. PETITION, NSTAR Electric Company and Verizon New England, Inc., for location of one (1) Pole in ACUSHNET AVENUE, South of Delano Street.
- 4a. AN ORDER,
- 5. PETITION/APPLICATION, of JOHN LIARIKOS, Co-op Wharf Realty Trust, 101 Co-op Wharf / MacArthur Drive, New Bedford, MA 02740, requesting an increase in their license to keep, store and/or sell products of CRUDE PETROLEUM or any of its products, at 101 Co-op Wharf / MacArthur Drive Boulevard, being Plot 53, Lot 34; Application is for 177,500 gallons (from 150,000 gallons) of gasoline and diesel fuels aboveground. (Note: License for 48,000 gallons of gasoline was previously granted in 2001 site originally approved 02/27/1930 and for Mr. Liarikos 04/23/2001; and License for 9,300 gallons originally approved on 12/27/1956, and registered for Mr. Liarikos on 12/15/1995 revoked/rescinded and quantity included in 100,000 gallons granted 07/21/05 total storage.) (Note: New Bedford Fire Department Captain Scott Kruger, to Rita Arruda, City Clerk, re: Petroleum Storage Increase Request for Co-Op Wharf Realty Trust (John Liarikos), stating he will approve an increase to 177,500 gallons, (from 150,000 gallons) total and 12,500 less than the 190,000 originally requested for the location; also submitting breakdown for such. (Copy all Councillors 04/30/07.)

MAYORS PAPERS

M1. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting RESOLUTION requesting that the Economic Assistance Coordinating Council DECERTIFY Project Certification Status for MICHAEL BIANCO, INC.

M1a. RESOLUTION,

- M2. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting the APPOINTMENT by the Library Board of Trustees, of MR. STEPHEN FULCHINO, to the position of LIBRARY DIRECTOR, at Step 8, Grade M-12, \$74,832, EFFECTIVE JULY 01, 2007. (Note: Mr. Fulchino and Library Trustees Board available at Council Meeting of May 10, 2007.)
- M3. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting for approval the REAPPOINTMENT of KIMBERLI A. BETTENCOURT, 796 Church Street, New Bedford, MA 02745, as a MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION FOR CITIZENS WITH DISABILITIES, for a THREE-YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE MAY 2010.
- M4. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting for approval the REAPPOINTMENT of GLORIA HILL, 40 Durfee Street, New Bedford, MA 02740, as a MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION FOR CITIZENS WITH DISABILITIES, for a THREE-YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE MAY 2010.
- M5. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting for approval the REAPPOINTMENT of LORRAINE PHENIX, 880 Bartlett Street, New Bedford, MA 02745, as a MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION FOR CITIZENS WITH DISABILITIES, for a THREE-YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE MAY 2010.
- M6. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, submitting AN ORDINANCE, Amending Chapter 19 of the City Code by ADDING the position of AIRPORT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR GRADE M-13.

 M6a. AN ORDINANCE.
- M7. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting an ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$1,200.00 from HEALTH, SALARIES & WAGES to HEALTH, CHARGES & SERVICES.

 M7a. AN ORDER,
- M8. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting an ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$10,000.00 from CEMETERY, CHARGES & SERVICES to CEMETERY, SUPPLIES & MATERIALS.

 M8a. AN ORDER,
- M9. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting an ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$12,400.00 from POLICE, CHARGES & SERVICES to POLICE SUPPLIES & MATERIALS.

 M9a. AN ORDER,
- M10. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting an ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$24,000.00 from FIRE, SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS, to FIRE, CHARGES & SERVICES. M10a. AN ORDER,
- M11. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting an ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$25,000.00 from TREASURERS, SALARIES & WAGES to FIRE, CHARGES & SERVICES.
 M11a. AN ORDER,
- M12. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting an ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$6,600.00 from CITY COUNCIL, CHARGES & SERVICES, to CITY CLERK, CAPITAL OUTLAY. M12a. AN ORDER,
- M13. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting an ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$1,000.00 from ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP, SALARIES & WAGES to AUDITORS, CHARGES & SERVICES.

M13a. AN ORDER,

M14. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting an ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$15,110.00 from INSPECTIONAL SERVICES, CHARGES & SERVICES to ASSESSORS, SALARIES & WAGES.

M14a. AN ORDER,

M15. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting an ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$1,000.00 from INSPECTIONAL SERVICES, CHARGES & SERVICES to ASSESSORS, CHARGES & SERVICES.

M15a. AN ORDER,

M16. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting copy of the <u>FINAL</u> Fiscal Year 2007 Office of Housing and Community Development Action Plan, for the period of July 01, 2007 through June 30, 2008, provided by Patrick J. Sullivan, Housing and Community Development Director, stating that NO SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE TO THE DRAFT ACTION PLAN during the 30-day response period which expired on April 18, 2007.

M16a. RESOLUTION, Authorizing the Mayor to apply for Federal Financial Assistance from the United States of America – Department of Housing and Urban Development, in accordance with the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (CDBG funding.) (To be Adopted with approval to forward to HUD.)

NEW BUSINESS

- 6. AN ORDINANCE, Zoning Change of land located at 83 CLEVELAND STREET, PLOT 14, LOT 224, Northwest corner of Cleveland Street and David Street, from Residence "C" TO INDUSTRIAL "A." (Passed to a Second Reading April 12, 2007; to be Passed, to be Ordained.)
- 7. AN ORDINANCE, Zoning Change of land on the EAST SIDE OF BELLEVILLE AVENUE, SOUTH OF COGGESHALL STREET, PLOT 86, LOT 21, from Industrial "B" TO MIXED-USE BUSINESS. (Passed to a Second Reading April 12, 2007; to be Passed, to be Ordained.)
- 8. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor DeMedeiros, requesting that the Administration and City's MIS Department explore introduction of a City Program that provides free wireless access throughout the City's Public Buildings, including, but not limited to the Public Libraries, City Hall, etc.
- 9. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Alves, asking that the City Council go on record in SUPPORT of a Police Substation Downtown, and, ONCE AGAIN, IN SOLID, FIRM OPPOSITION to the relocation of the current Council on Aging Office/Senior Center for the Substation, because the relocation of our Seniors YET AGAIN is detrimental to their morale by treating them like "Second Class" Citizens when they are, in fact, the backbone of our City; and further, yet another move should not take place, because such a move, as have many of the previous moves and broken promises they have had to endure, provides no benefits or advantages, but instead creates inconvenience and added difficulties for the very people who have helped to make our City so great.
- 10. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Koczera and DeMedeiros, requesting, on behalf of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, for the purpose of the "POLISH FESTIVAL", the following STREET CLOSINGS: that NORTH FRONT STREET, from Coggeshall Street to Beetle Street, be CLOSED on SATURDAY, JUNE 16, 2007, FROM 11:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M., and NORTH FRONT STREET, from Coggeshall Street to Beetle Street, be CLOSED on SUNDAY, JUNE 17, 2007, FROM 11:00 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M.; and further requesting, that "NO PARKING" signs be POSTED ON NORTH FRONT STREET, from Coggeshall Street to Beetle Street, 11:00 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M., AND "NO PARKING" signs on NORTH FRONT STREET, from Coggeshall Street to Beetle Street on FRIDAY, JUNE 15, 2007, at 6:00 P.M. through SUNDAY, JUNE 17, 2007, 10:00 P.M. (NOTE: WOODEN HORSES WILL ALSO BE USED.)
- 11. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gonsalves, requesting, on behalf of St. John the Baptist Church and their Feast Committee, that the following streets be CLOSED: SOUTH SIXTH STREET, from Bedford Street to Wing Street, and WING STREET, from County Street to South Sixth Street, on SATURDAY, JUNE 23, 2007, and SUNDAY, JUNE 24, 2007, FROM 12:00 NOON TO 11:45 P.M. for the purpose of their annual ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST FEAST. (Also requesting that the DPF provide street closure sawhorses and additional trash barrels.)

- 12. WRITTEN MOTION, Council President Pimental, requesting, that the City Council send a letter, not only to the State Delegation, but to Governor Deval Patrick as well, strongly objecting to Mass Fair Plan Insurance going up another 25% on their insurance rates in the City of New Bedford; and further, that we ask Governor Patrick to reconsider his appointment of the Commissioner of Insurance, Julianne M. Bowler, who believes a 25% burden can be placed, once again, on the homeowner's in the City of New Bedford, as this escalation will cause people to lose their homes throughout the City of New Bedford, and the Commonwealth, because of this Plan and its inflated cost, especially to coastal cities such as our own.
- 13. WRITTEN MOTION, Council President Pimental, requesting, that we ask Governor Patrick to REDUCE the rates in Mass Fair Plan Insurance by 50%, making it more affordable to the residents in New Bedford, who are severely impacted due to the City's coastal location, as well as other Cities in the Commonwealth.
- 14. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Lawrence, requesting, on behalf of the WHALING CITY FESTIVAL COMMITTEE, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: FULLER MEMORIAL PARKWAY, from Rockdale Avenue, westerly through Buttonwood Park, to Brownell Avenue, from 9:00 a.m. on THURSDAY, JULY 12, 2007, THROUGH 10:00 p.m. on SUNDAY, JULY 15, 2007, for the purpose of the ANNUAL WHALING CITY FESTIVAL.
- 15. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Coelho, requesting that the Department of Parks and Recreation look into improving Pulaski Park, in the Far North End, by putting in some benches and upgrading the playground by cleaning it up, removing the graffiti and replacing the current basketball hoops, which are not regulation size; and further, that the overgrowth of vegetation, be cut back and cleared considering the proximity of the surrounding homes.
- 16. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Coelho, requesting that the New Bedford Police Department immediately bring out Foot Patrols, especially in areas considered to be "high risk," due to the quick onset of warm weather, in an attempt to deter the gang activity, which seems to increase with warmer weather, and to ensure a safe and healthy environment for our Citizens. (To be Referred to Police Chief Teachman.)
- 17. WRITTEN MOTION, Council President Pimental, requesting, on behalf of Dave Babcock, Tony Amaral, Judith McMullen and Dave Gould, that Kevin Amaral, Superintendent of Park Maintenance, immediately remove the signs that are on East Beach and inside Fort Taber, restricting anyone from using the beach area; further, that we ask Dave Babcock, Tony Amaral, Judith McMullen and Dave Gould to enlist a group of individuals that would like to "adopt" Fort Taber Park, and clean it on Mondays, after the weekend activities, similar to the "Adopt a Highway" Program we see for our State Highways.
- 18. WRITTEN MOTION, Council President Pimental, requesting that School Committee Chairperson, Ramona C. Silva and the Superintendent of Schools, Michael E. Longo, come before the Committee on Appointments and Briefings to listen to and discuss the reasons as to why the School Committee and Superintendent Longo are closing the school.
- 19. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Pina, requesting, on behalf of the neighbors at the bottom of Union Street, that Police presence be increased in that area, especially between the hours of 1:30 A.M. to 3:30 A.M., Friday through Saturday, due to the large numbers of college students who frequent the local bars, and then hang out on the sidewalks disturbing local residents.
- 20. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Pina, requesting, on behalf of local residents, that DPI repave Campbell Street, between Cottage and Chestnut Streets, because this area has not been upgraded (according to neighbors) since 1995, except for minor patchwork; and further, there is a tree located across from 111 Campbell Street, which has roots growing though the cement, that needs to be addressed by DPF/Forestry.
- 21. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Pina, requesting, on behalf of the neighbors of Campbell Street, between Cottage and Chestnut Streets, that the DPI/Water Division immediately send a crew to determine why residents

have brown water coming into their homes; and further, that the DPI's inspection begin with the home located at 111 Campbell Street.

- 22. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting that the Department of Parks and Recreation immediately install a pole to light the basketball courts at Ashley Park, due to the fact that, during the winter months, a pole fell on the basketball courts and, at this time this is impeding the ability of the young people in that area to play basketball during the evening hours of the approaching summer days.
- 23. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting that the Department of Public Infrastructure take immediate action to clean Chaffee Street, east of Acushnet Avenue, in the wetlands wooded area, for tires and discarded garbage and trash; further, that signage be placed in this area notifying the general public of the fine for \$250.00 for littering and discarding trash in this area; and further, that we request DPF to see if any lights can be added to this area and that signage also be posted that reads "video surveillance area"; in addition, asking that these steps be taken in other areas around the City where this type of dumping is taking place, and that we also request that the Citizens of the City assist the City if they see anything unusual in these areas such as illegal dumping, by obtaining a license plate number and immediately reporting it to the Police so they can make an arrest, to curtail the increase in illegal dumping throughout the City.
- 24. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting that the City Council request Senators Kennedy, Kerry and Congressman Frank to address the issue of the increasing price of gas in the Commonwealth, and across this Country, due to the fact that the excuses being given by the oil companies and the profits gained by these companies is not in line with what it is costing the Citizens for gas at this time; and further, that the State Delegation investigate possible price gouging as the price of gas continues to rise here in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and across the Country.
- 25. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting that our State Legislative Delegation, including Senator Montigny, look at revising the Bottle Bill for a \$.05 deposit on all plastic containers sold in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in that this would help us to keep our State cleaner by keeping the discarded bottles off our highways, streets and neighborhoods due to the Bottle Bill not including all juice bottles and other beverages packaged in plastic.
- 26. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting that Maria Tomasia, Chairperson of the Election Commission, report back to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings as to how the census went, how many of our residents in the City of New Bedford returned the census in a timely manner and what are the calculations of all the numbers received by the City through this census; this request comes in order to ensure that the entire City has returned their census forms, and that there are no problems with the numbers used in the upcoming election.
- 27. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, asking that a letter be sent to the owners of the former New Bedford Lincoln Mercury car dealership on Church Street, requesting the owner meet with the Committee on Appointments and Briefings, for the purpose of discussing the possibility of donating the signage in the front that reads New Bedford, and/or any other signage that possibly could be used to promote the City of New Bedford, that once formerly promoted this great car dealership in the City of New Bedford.
- 28. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Alves, asking that the DPI inspect and evaluate the sidewalks on Conduit Street, especially in the area of 73 Conduit Street, to determine what can be done to repair and/or correct the dangerous situation caused by the broken and raised surface, which has been marked for repair by the City every year for the past 3 years and, to date, no corrective action has been taken; the problem area has been the cause of an elderly woman falling and the injury caused to her because of the condition of the surface; and further, that the DPI report back to this Councillor as to the corrective measures to be implemented to address the problem on both sides of the street, that have similar problems and present a danger, to pedestrians and a potential liability to the City of New Bedford.

- 29. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Alves, requesting that the Traffic Commission provide and/or install a limited 15 MINUTE PARKING space (with either a limited meter and/or sign) in front of the business at 1648 Acushnet Avenue (Corner off Tinkham Street,) to allow for limited parking and access to the transit business clients/customers who only need the limited parking for pickup of their orders and meals during the period from 9:00 a.m. to 11:59 p.m., Sunday to Saturday; this is requested due to the fact that employees of other businesses in the area are parking in front of the establishment for the entire day, preventing customers from being able to access the business for pickup of food orders.
- 30. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Alves, asking, at the request of the handicapped/impaired parishioners of St. Joseph-St. Therese Church, that the Traffic Commission provide and install two handicap parking spaces in front of the Church on Acushnet Avenue, in the center of the block near the handicap ramp, to allow those individuals with a legal handicap permit the availability and access to the Church, and easy access to the handicap ramp when they attend the parish functions, Mass, etc.
- 31. PETITION, Samuel Pereira, d/b/a/ Fiesta Limos, 57 Stowell Street, New Bedford, MA 02740, requesting a NEW Private Livery License, under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 159A, Section 1, and amendments thereto, and all other laws applicable to such operation, to carry passengers for hire over the streets of New Bedford. (Submitted by Councillor Gonsalves.)
 31a. AN ORDER,
- 32. PETITION/INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, Christopher Ciano, d/b/a/ Spykez Enterprises, Inc. for permission to encroach on City Property with a take-out window at 1998 ACUSHNET AVENUE, NEW BEDFORD, MA 02745. (Submitted by Councillor Koczera.)
- 32a. ORDER, (Granting Permission)
- 33. COMMUNICATION, City Solicitor Schall, to City Council, submitting AN ORDINANCE, Amending Chapter 19, Section 19-7 of the City Code by inserting the position of "PROCUREMENT AND COMPLIANCE ATTORNEY", GRADE M1.
- 33a. AN ORDINANCE,
- 34. COMMUNICATION/DEMOLITION, New Bedford Historical Commission, to City Council, re: BUILDING DEMOLITION REVIEW 194 RIVERSIDE AVENUE, ADVISING, "THAT, DUE TO LISTED FINDINGS, PROPERTY IS AN HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT BUILDING OR STRUCTURE AND PREFERABLY PRESERVED;" THEREFORE, THE N.B.H.C. DOES NOT RECOMMEND DEMOLITION." (Copy all Councillors 05/08/07.)
- 35. COMMUNICATION, Ronald A. Durgin, Commissioner, Department of Inspectional Services, requesting reconsideration of 211 KEMPTON STREET DEMOLITION DENIAL. (Individual Copies to all Councillors 04/27/07.)
- 36. COMMUNICATION, Clean Water Action, to City Councillors, requesting support and submitting sample letter of support for H864, An Act, Relative to recycling discarded electronic products. (Copy all Councillors 04/30/07.)
- 37. COMMUNICATION, Deputy Chief Kevin M. Hegarty, to City Clerk, responding to Written Motion by Councillor Pina, In City Council January 25, 2007, which was referred back to Police Department, In City Council April 12, 2007, stating the progress of the investigation regarding Complaints against the Main Line Tire Company (Submitted by Rita D. Arruda, City Clerk.) (Copy all Councillors 04/27/07.)
- 38. COMMUNICATION, Councillor DeMedeiros, to DPI Commissioner Labelle, requesting again, on behalf of Ms. Alice Da Silva, 40 Washburn Street, that Washburn Street be repaved/repaired due to the poor condition of the road, which has been very bad for quite some time.

- 39. COMMUNICATION, Council President Pimental, to Commissioner Labelle, re: letters to companies about violations of Obstruction Permits (letters enclosed.)
- 40. COMMUNICATION/INVITATION, John Moniz, Secretary, GOR Memorial Day Committee, to Council President Pimental, extending invitation for Annual Memorial Day Parade and Services; Parade stepping off on May 28, 2007, at 11:30 A.M. at the intersection of Union Street and Rockdale Avenue, East on Union Street to Pleasant Street, North on Pleasant Street past the reviewing stand, located in front of Main Library, disbanding at intersection of Pleasant and Elm Streets, reforming at the reviewing stand for the services following the Parade. (Copy forwarded to all Councillors from Council President Pimental 05/01/07.)
- 41. COMMUNICATION/EMAIL, Councillor Alves, to DPI Commissioner Ronald Labelle, requesting assistance re: deep hole/depression in front of 504 Oliver Street, which, during heavy rain, fills with water and creates a pool of water.
- 42. COMMUNICATION, Tax Title Attorney Blair S. Bailey, to City Council, re: Acquisition of New Tax Possession, advising that, on April 06, 2007, the Land Court issued a Decree of Foreclosure, and the City acquired the following property as a Tax Possession: 1256 PLEASANT STREET, Plot 72/Lot 33 (1262 Pleasant Street Plot 72/259 merged with this parcel), Area of 4,925 square feet. (Former Owner(s): Kimiko Arakawa and Citizens Bank of MA) Total Amount due on the parcel as of the date of the Decree is \$100,972.99.
- 43. COMMUNICATION, Tax Title Attorney Blair S. Bailey, to City Council, re: Acquisition of New Tax Possession, advising that, on April 06, 2007, the Land Court issued a Decree of Foreclosure, and the City acquired the following property as a Tax Possession: S.S. HERITAGE DRIVE, Plot 134G/Lot 59, Area of 20,017 square feet. (Former Owner(s): Lane Homes, Inc.) Total Amount due on the parcel as of the date of the Decree is \$35,805.20.
- 44. COMMUNICATION, Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs, Department of Environmental Protection, to City Council, submitting the Written Determination pursuant to M.G.L. c.91 Waterways application No. W06-1616N for Bourne Counting House, 1 Merrills Wharf. (Copy all Councillors 05/04/07.) (To be Received and Placed on File.)

TABLED BUSINESS

02/23/06 WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Saunders, requesting RECONSIDERATION on the matter of the COMMUNICATION, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting for approval the RE-APPOINTMENT of JOSE GOUVEIA, 112 Bryant Lane, New Bedford, MA, to the HARBOR DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, whose term expired December 2001. This appointment will expire December 2007. (Appointment Confirmed – Yeas 11, Nays 0 at the regular City Council Meeting on February 09, 2006 Agenda.) (Note: This Item, which is Item #L14 on Late File Agenda was confirmed on a Substitute Motion by Councillor Morad, which was allowed, and Appointments Confirmed on Items L8, L10, L11, L12, L14, L16, L31 and L33.)

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07/20/06 CITATION, Councillor Pina, honoring PAUL PELLETIER, in recognition of his Years of Service to the Residents of Boa Vista Housing Development as President of the Tenant Association for the past Six Years.

08/17/06 CITATION, Councillor Morad, honoring SPECIALIST ALVARO A. SANTOS, United States Army Reserve, 844th Engineering Battalion, a Heavy Construction Equipment Operator, who served in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in Kuwait from December 18, 2004 to December 12, 2005, and was awarded the Army Achievement Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with "M" Device, Army Service Ribbon and the Oversees Service Ribbon.

08/17/06 CITATION, Councillor Pina, honoring BELMIRO FERNANDES, United States National Guard, in recognition of his serving our Country in Operation Iraqi Freedom, from September 06, 2005, until July 06, 2006.

08/17/06 RESOLUTION, Council President Alves, recognizing AUGUST 09, 2006, as COMCAST/TOON DISNEY'S PASSPORT TO READING DAY IN NEW BEDFORD.

08/17/06 RESOLUTION, Council President Alves, honoring POLICE OFFICER PAUL FONSECA for his HEROIC ACTIONS AT THE SAVOY NURSING HOME FIRE – JULY 23, 2006.

01/25/07 WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Pina, requesting, on behalf of the residents of Hillman Street, that the Traffic Commission issue Residential Parking signs to the neighbors surrounding the Quest Center and New Directions, as the employees, and visitors, are taking up all the parking spaces, and, since there is no residential off-street parking at their homes, the residents are in need of parking places.

02/08/07 HEARING, on APPLICATION of CYNTHIA AND ERIC BELINKOFF, 366 HATHAWAY REALTY TRUST, 366 HATHAWAY ROAD, NEW BEDFORD, MA 02740, requesting AN INCREASE in License to keep, store and/or sell products of CRUDE

PETROLEUM or any of its products, at 366 HATHAWAY ROAD, being Plot 94, Lot 20; Application is for 40,000 GALLONS (from 25,520 gallons) of gasoline and diesel fuels underground. (License for 25,520 gallons was previously granted on September 13, 1973, to Texaco, Inc., and registered to 366 Hathaway Realty Trust in August 2006.) (In City Council February 08, 2007 – Tabled until next Council Meeting – February 22, 2007.) (In City Council February 22, 2007 – Motion by Councillor DeMedeiros to keep item on the Table ADOPTED – All Ayes. – TABLED.)

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